

# TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE TOWN BULLETIN FEBRUARY 2015

WABA Board Mtg. 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, 7:00pm February 5<sup>th</sup> Donoghue WABA History Committee Sunday, 3:30-5pm February 8<sup>th</sup> Morse Town Council 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:00pm February 10<sup>th</sup> Stowe Planning Commission Thursday, 7:00pm February 26<sup>th</sup> Jochums

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## **COUNCIL BUSINESS**: At the January Council meeting, the Council:

- Discussed the final draft of updates to the Town's Comprehensive Plan (<a href="http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/whats\_new.htm">http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/whats\_new.htm</a>) based on the recommendations of the Planning Commission, which has studied the needed updates for several months. The Council will hold its public hearing at the regular February Council meeting to hear comments about the proposed updates. If there are significant changes to be considered as a result of those comments, the Council will take time to review and address them. Otherwise, Town Planner Mona Green will complete a SEPA review in March, and the Council will pass a resolution in April giving the Washington State Dept of Commerce a 60-day Notice of Intent to Adopt in April. Under this calendar, formal adoption will occur by ordinance in June.
- Adopted Resolution No. 413 approving the ARCH Budget and Work Program for 2015.
- Continued updating the Council Strategic Plan.

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:** The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held at 7:00pm on Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at Tom Stowe's house.

**COUNCIL VACANCY:** The Council has a vacancy as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, which the Council would like to fill as quickly as possible. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, have suggestions on qualified candidates to recommend, or have any questions about this commitment, please talk to Mayor Leider.

**TOWN ROW Path Improvements:** The Town is working on plans to do some improvements to two paths: the Angle Path that runs from Five Corners to 29th Street, and part of the Academy Path that runs on the 28th Street ROW from 107th Ave to Five Corners. Proposals for the Angle Path are still being developed, and proposals for the Academy Path can be found <a href="http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/pdf\_files/2015-academy-path-plan.pdf">http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/pdf\_files/2015-academy-path-plan.pdf</a>. Please send any and all thoughts, ideas, and feedback to Mike Hillberg.

**PLANNING COMMISSION- HISTORIC HOMES STUDY**: Recently, the Council authorized the Planning Commission to begin a study on ways to encourage the preservation of historic homes in Beaux Arts Village through incentives while still respecting owners' rights to use, maintain, and develop

their properties in conformance with the Town's Zoning Code. The Planning Commission hosted a presentation at their January meeting, given by the Preservation officers from WA State Dept. of Historic Preservation <a href="http://www.kingcounty.gov/">http://www.kingcounty.gov/</a> to begin learning about voluntary incentives that might have interest here. If you are interested in viewing the slideshow from this presentation, we have a link on the "What's New" page of the Town website: <a href="http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/pdf">http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/pdf</a> files/bav-historic-pres-PlnComm-012015.pdf. The Commission will discuss these presented options, beginning with the Conservation District Overlay approach to Zoning, at their February meeting. The Planning Commission expects to continue this discussion for several months and welcomes anyone interested to attend the February meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> (one week later than usual) to learn more and offer insights.

**SOUND TRANSIT:** 2014 Wrap Up - It was a full year for the East Link light rail extension in 2014, and we want to thank you for your participation! A number of you took the time to attend public meetings throughout the year. Those meetings highlighting the progress we're making on final design were hosted in Seattle, Mercer Island, south Bellevue, downtown Bellevue, Bel-Red and Overlake. To see how the East Link stations and alignment are taking shape, please <u>visit the project website</u>. Also in 2014, our field work teams continued soil sampling, civil survey, wetland delineation, potholing and tree survey work crucial to advancing the project's design.

# 2014 Outreach by the numbers:

- 9 East Link public meetings To view public meeting materials, please visit the <u>East Link</u> Extension document archive
- 82 outreach briefings learn more about how to schedule a briefing below
- 5,647 Sound Transit Facebook and 14,463 Twitter followers learned about East Link milestones and project information. For timely updates on how ST is planning and building and for rider information, follow us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>
- 190,000 views of the East Link animation you can view the animation here

## **Segments status:**

- I-90 Corridor: The Rainier and Mercer Island stations reached 60 percent design in 2014. Parking remained a consistent theme on Mercer Island leading Sound Transit and the City of Mercer Island to seek feedback on an expanded parking proposal. A community conversation along the entire I-90 corridor focused on how bus service will integrate with East Link when operations begin in 2023.
- **South Bellevue:** A completion of final design open house in late-2014 for the south Bellevue area included the South Bellevue Station and parking garage. An overview of that meeting, along with all of the comments received, can be <u>viewed here</u>. While major construction will not begin here until 2016, advanced utility work will take place along Bellevue Way in mid-2015.
- **Downtown Bellevue:** In early 2014, 60 percent design open houses were held for the downtown Bellevue Corridor, and at the end of the year we hired a general contractor/construction manager (GC/CM). The GC/CM project delivery method brings the contractor onboard at approximately 60 percent design, which helps with such issues as value engineering and constructability. Looking forward to 2015, we expect to host completion of final design meetings.
- **Bel-Red:** Sound Transit hosted a completion of final design open house for the Bel-Red corridor, including the 130th station, in September. In early spring 2015, intermittent advanced utility relocation work is anticipated to begin.
- **SR520/Overlake:** The Overlake Village and Overlake Transit Center stations are designed to 30 percent final design. Sound Transit expects to hire the contractor in late-2015 to carry out the

design-build process in this segment. Design-build means the design-build team (contractor and designer) works with Sound Transit under a single contract to complete the design and construct the project.

**2015 look ahead:** We'll be out in the community throughout 2015 to share updates and gather feedback as final design progresses and we prepare for construction. In 2015, we'll also be working with our partners to begin relocating utilities outside of the project area. As always, we're interested in hearing from you! Sound Transit outreach staff can be reached by phone, email and in person upon request. To request a briefing, please contact us at 206-398-LINK or <a href="mailto:eastlink@soundtransit.org">eastlink@soundtransit.org</a>.

MARSHAL REPORT: The following crimes occurred in January per Bellevue's Crime map: <a href="http://www.crimemapping.com/map/wa/bellevue">http://www.crimemapping.com/map/wa/bellevue</a> or <a href="http://spotcrime.com/wa/bellevue">http://spotcrime.com/wa/bellevue</a>

The following concerns were reported by Enatai neighbors on NextDoor Enatai in the last month.

1/22Speeding carsSE 22nd1/17Stolen flagSE 30th1/12Stolen mail/check fraud109th Ave. SE

**TOWN BUILDING NEWS:** The following permits were issued by the Building Dept. in January:

10510 SE 27<sup>th</sup> St. Remodel

2807 – 107<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE New Construction

Construction and tree removal for these projects will begin this week.

Reminder: General Permit Conditions are listed on page 2 of permit applications <a href="http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/pdf">http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/pdf</a> files/Bldg% 20Dept% 20forms/Appl% 20for% 20Building% 20Permit% 20-% 20201405.pdf and include construction hours among other contractor requirements such as parking and clean up. *Monday through Friday 7 AM - 6 PM, Saturday 8 AM - 5 PM, Sunday and Holidays: No Work Allowed* Also, any unavoidable road blockage should be scheduled 24 hours in advance through the Deputy Clerk so impacted residents can be alerted. For permit information, please see the Town's website: <a href="http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/bldg\_dept.htm">http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/bldg\_dept.htm</a>. Please contact Deputy Clerk Kulp if you have any building concerns or questions. Thank you.

**IN MEMORIAM:** Our sympathies go out to all friends and family of previous long time villager **Malcolm Hickey**, who passed away suddenly January 22, 2015 at the age of 90. Malcolm is remembered by fellow villagers as a gentle and generous person, a great family man and a wonderful neighbor. He was known for his beautiful wood-turned bowls, often shared during our Arts & Crafts Fairs. Malcolm was an accomplished engineer, fly fisherman, athlete and sailor, helping to establish Beaux Arts Racing Fleet. He served as Commodore for the Corinthian Yacht Club, and on the Town Council here. Malcolm and his wife Mary lived here from 1973 to 2013 raising their family, and sold their home to Susan Bogert and Joe McNulty when they downsized. Malcolm is survived by wife Mary, children Peter, Katie and Cynthia. A service is planned in February and remembrances may be made to the Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust at <a href="http://mtsgreenway.org/">http://mtsgreenway.org/</a>.

**WABA BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING:** The next meeting of the WABA Board of Trustees will be on Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the Donoghue residence.

**WINTER DINNER:** Thank you to everyone who attended the Winter Dinner and Business Meeting thus year. A quorum was established with 39 lots present and 36 proxies submitted. The proposed 2015

WABA Budget was approved by the membership, and Peter Bowen, Pam Donoghue and Amy Nassisi were elected as Trustees to serve a 3 year term on the WABA Board. Additionally, Susan Bogert was elected to serve as Brian Moco's replacement on the Board; she has been serving as Secretary since he stepped down. Many thanks to both Karen Deitrick - outgoing WABA President, and Elizabeth Westburg – outgoing WABA Treasurer for all their hard work and dedication!

**GREENBOOK UPDATES:** The residents directory is always available to download and print from the WABA website (<a href="www.waba1908.com">www.waba1908.com</a>) in 'Member Resources' in the Greenbook section after you've logged into the website. The directory and residence map are updated regularly. If you would like a hard copy, please contact the WABA Clerk.

**WABA WEBSITE:** To log into the WABA website your email address must be on file with the WABA Clerk. Your email address is your username. To login, enter your email address and password. If you do not have a password or have forgotten yours, click on the 'forgot password' link and a new one will be emailed to you.

**DOCKMASTER REPORT:** Annual moorage billing has been mailed out and is due by Feb. 28th. Before mailing in, please seriously consider your boat usage and all your neighbors still anxiously waiting for a slip. If you have a boat, kayak, or canoe, either in a slip or stored on the ground or rack at the beach, and have not received a moorage billing, please contact Dock Master Jay Jacobsen.

**NAME SIGNS:** If anyone would like to purchase a new name sign to replace their existing name sign, for any reason, please contact Sylvia Hobbs to arrange for a new one. Signs cost less than \$35 and will be installed by the Town's Street Superintendent, Bill Beck. (One name sign per household please.)

**WABA HISTORY COMMITTEE MEETING:** The WABA History Committee will meet <u>Sunday</u>, <u>February 8<sup>th</sup></u>, <u>from 3:30-5pm</u> at Julia Morse's home and will discuss the loss of the 97 year old Armbruster home this month and how WABA can assist with historic preservation education and advocacy. We'll also discuss updating the 'House Books' project, filing needs, and future goals. All committee members and interested residents are invited and welcome to attend.

**HOME HISTORY:** If any resident would like to know more about the history of their house, who owned it (and the land) they own, contact Sylvia Hobbs.

**WABA HISTORY CORNER:** Who was the Forest Fire Ranger in the Big Burn of 1910 near Taft Montana that ended up later renting in Beaux Arts only to get evicted over his scandalous behavior? *Watch for answer next month!* 

<u>January's answer:</u> Alfred Renfro, Beaux Arts founder, believed his home's heavy timbers had "a good influence on the children". <a href="http://seattletimes.com/html/books/2003434497\_bungalow17.html">http://seattletimes.com/html/books/2003434497\_bungalow17.html</a>. Renfro's home is considered the first home built after the Western Academy of Beaux Arts was founded, and is still here in mostly its original state, occupied by owner Mr. Taugher.

**LOST & FOUND:** Lost- Recently, some wireless speakers were accidentally left at the beach and when the owner went back to get them they weren't there. If you inadvertently picked them up to rescue them, please contact the WABA Clerk so she can reunite the owner with their speakers. Thank you!

#### NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF?

• Contact <u>Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens</u> if you have questions about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Department concerns.

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• Contact <u>Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp</u> if you have questions or submissions for this newsletter, building department, permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or Hearing Examiner.

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• Report <u>Block Watch</u> concerns, contact: <u>Town Marshal Walter Scott:</u> (425) 454-2573

Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster: (425) 746-0757

**NEED TO CONTACT WABA?** WABA Members may contact <u>WABA Clerk **Kristin Mange**</u> for any concerns or questions you have about the Western Academy of Beaux Arts, regarding the beach or its reservations, parking stickers, green book, WABA social events or issues before the Board of Trustees.

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